



## A Message from Dr. Bennett

Welcome to March! It's hard to believe, but spring is just around the corner and today we start week NINE of the semester! This continues to be a busy, exciting semester. Our biggest news for the month is that the Accreditation site-visit team will be with us March 4-8. Please join me in welcoming them to our college. Be sure to say hello if you see them on campus. This is our opportunity to share all of the amazing things Clovis Community College is doing to ensure student success, build partnerships and pathways, and serve our community. Please be sure to read the weekly Accreditation Update announcements. They are posted on the website in case you missed one.

### Congratulations Wall of Honor Inductee Lee Brown!



I had the great honor of attending the SCCCD Wall of Honor Ceremony last Monday where Professor Lee Brown, Clovis CC's first honoree, was recognized for his dedication to the college, to student success, and to our community. Please join me in celebrating Lee's outstanding work and many years of service. He is a true role model for our community.

### Accreditation Update

This week is our Accreditation Site Visit. You will see team members around campus as they attend meetings and talk with various constituents. We have several events that everyone is invited to attend:

Tuesday, March 6 at 2:00 p.m.	Open Forum	AC1-150
Wednesday, March 7 at 4:00 p.m.	Open Forum	AC1-150
Thursday, March 8 at 1:00 p.m.	Exit Report	AC1-150
Thursday, March 8 at 2:00 p.m.	Celebration	AC2-276

Thanks to everyone for their incredibly hard work on this project. A special thank you to our three accreditation co-chairs: Kelly Fowler, Jennifer Simonson, and Leslie King. This wouldn't be possible without you!

## Commencement is Coming!

This year's commencement ceremony will be held on Friday, May 18 at the Cross City Church (2777 E. Nees Ave, Fresno, 93720) at 6:30 p.m.

Read previous newsletters at: [www.cloviscollege.edu/presidentsnewsletter](http://www.cloviscollege.edu/presidentsnewsletter)

## Classified Leadership Graduates



Congratulations to Clovis Classified Professionals Vicki Cockrell and Tiera Wilson and former Clovis Professional Robert Ochoa for completing the Leadership State Center Class in December 2017. The mission of Leadership State Center is to maximize the potential of classified managers and potential classified leaders through collaboration, learning, vision, advocacy, and action.

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## Academic Senate Update

Academic Senate has been working on approving new operating agreements, work plans and handbooks. We have been very interested in continuing the dialog with administration on governance issues regarding Dual Enrollment and Class size. We are looking forward to our accreditation visit and highlighting all of the hard work and governance between the constituency groups to improve some of our processes on this campus. Looking forward we will be working on a resolution to be part of the Online Education Initiative, a plan for guided pathways as well as working on finalizing our faculty handbook.

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## Classified Senate Update

Classified Senate had a very successful Valentine Gram fundraiser with over 500 Valentine grams sold between Clovis Community College and Herndon campus. Thank you all for participating! The proceeds help fund the Classified Senate Scholarship and assist students in need with grocery gift cards for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays and also helps promote professional development for Classified employees. We are preparing for our taco sale during Spring Extravaganza. Classified Senate will be selling street tacos for \$1 each and tortas for \$4. We are taking pre-sale orders for administrators a few days before the event. Much like Academic Senate and ASG, we are looking forward to the accreditation teams visit to highlight the many achievements of our campus.

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## Associated Student Government Update

ASG has actively prepared for Accreditation, continuously keeping up with Accreditation thoughts as well as participating in Accreditation training. The Constitution and Bylaws of the ASG have been updated and now all there is left if to hold the Special Elections in order to get the students to vote. ASG will also be having a Strategic Retreat this month to come up with a mission statement and strategic plan that aligns with these changes. ASG has put together various events, including "soul food" potluck in honor of the Black History Month, Club Rush and Club training, and has plenty of more coming up, including Kid's Day and a fundraiser at Spring Extravaganza.

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## New Hires



**Erasmo Lopez**  
Custodian



**Bee Vang**  
Custodian

## Event Calendar



March 6	Board of Trustees Meeting	4:30 p.m.	Reedley College
March 13	Spring Extravaganza	10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	
March 26-30	Spring Break		
April 3	Board of Trustees Meeting,	4:30 p.m.	District Office
April 18	Budget Town Hall	3:00 p.m.	AC2-185

## Social Justice series

Students, staff and faculty are looking forward to the speakers presenting at the college this spring.



### Helen Zia

will speak on April 5 at 12:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. She is an award-winning journalist and scholar.



### Tim Wise

will speak on April 12 at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. He is one of the country's leading anti-racist writers and educators.



### Yosimar Reyes

will speak in May 1 at 11:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. He is a nationally acclaimed queer poet and speaker.

